I am extremely concerned with the creation of a Broadcast flag that will prevent the legal time shifting of content by the consumer. I currently use a TiVo device to time shift my television watching from its original air time, until I actually have time to watch it.

If the Broadcast flag support is made manditory for all consumer devices, I fear that all television will be made un time shiftable. This is a violation of fair use, and I would be extremely upset.

It would also stop me from purchasing HDTV equipment. I think these regulations would seriously retard the addoption of HDTV by the early addopter consumers like myself. That will be the death nell of HDTV.